Power supply by DVC to Asansol

882. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether DVC supplies power to Asansol town in West Bengal through WBSEB;

(b) whether there are frequent power disruptions/cut from DVC side causing severe problems to the domestic consumers and small scale industries in this area;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor and remedial measures to eliminate the same; and

(d) if not, the number of disruptions from DVC to Asansol area during last three months, with month-wise details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) West Bengal State Electricity Board (WBSEB) supplies power to Asansol township received at Kanyapur and Luchipur points from DVC Kalipahari Sub-Station. The adjoining areas of Asansol town receive DVC power through Dishergarh Power Supply Co. (DPSCO), a licensee of WBSEB.

(b) There was no frequent power disruption/power cut from DVC during the period September to November, 2003. However, the 33 KV Kalipahari-Kanyapur Feeder is owned and maintained by WBSEB.

(c) Does not arise in view of answer at (b) above.

(d) The total number of power disruptions month-wise in cumulative hours in respect of feeder for power supply by DVC through WBSEB & DPSCO in Asansol and adjoining area during the period September to November, 2003 is indicated in the Statement enclosed.

Statement

The total number of Power disruptions month–wise during the Period September to Nov. 2003

West Bengal State Electricity Board (WBSEB)

Month	Point of supply	No. of power disruption	Total interruption in hours	Feeder hour availability (%)
1	2	3	4	5
September, 2003	WBSEB, Kanyapur	12	11.08	98.46
	WBSEB, Luchipur	07	06.33	99.26

1	2	3	4	5
October, 2003	WBSEB, Kanyapur	17	11.03	98.52
	WBSEB, Luchipur	14	09.50	98.72
November, 2003	WBSEB, Kanyapur	21	14.53	97.98
	WBSEB, Luchipur	15	12.11	98.32

Dishergarh Power Supply Co. (DPSCO)

Month	Point of supply	Total interruption in hours	Feeder hour availability (%)
September, 2003	DPSCO, Luchipur	0.13	99.94
	DPSCO, Seebpore	0.13	99.98
October, 2003	DPSCO, Luchipur	1.87	99.75
	DPSCO, Seebpore	0.05	99.99
November, 2003	DPSCO, Luchipur	0.33	99.95
	DPSCO, Seebpore	0.00	100.00

The US and EU interest in India's tackling of power blackouts

883. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether US Government and some European Governments have approached India to know as to how India tackles the power blackouts;

(b) if so, the names of countries which have contacted Government of India in this regard; and

(c) The details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) to (c) The power experts from North America and European countries as also from other parts of the world, during interaction with officials of POWERGRID at various fora, have expressed keen interest in grid management practices of India owing to its vast network. However, no formal proposal has been received by Government or by POWERGRID in this regard.

Fast track I.P.P. projects

884. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the status of the seven original fast track Independent Power Producing projects for which the Government had extended counter guarantees;